

Notice of Allowability

Application No.

10/542,835

Applicant(s)

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Examiner

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All claims being allowable, PROSECUTION ON THE MERITS IS (OR REMAINS) CLOSED in this application. If not included herewith (or previously mailed), a Notice of Allowance (PTOL-85) or other appropriate communication will be mailed in due course. **THIS NOTICE OF ALLOWABILITY IS NOT A GRANT OF PATENT RIGHTS.** This application is subject to withdrawal from issue at the initiative of the Office or upon petition by the applicant. See 37 CFR 1.313 and MPEP 1308.

1. ☒ This communication is responsive to amendment filed on 09/28/2007.
2. ☒ The allowed claim(s) is/are 1-12.
3. ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some* c) ☐ None of the:
- ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
 - ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
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4. ☐ A SUBSTITUTE OATH OR DECLARATION must be submitted. Note the attached EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT or NOTICE OF INFORMAL PATENT APPLICATION (PTO-152) which gives reason(s) why the oath or declaration is deficient.
5. ☐ CORRECTED DRAWINGS (as "replacement sheets") must be submitted.
- (a) ☐ including changes required by the Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) attached
- 1) ☐ hereto or 2) ☐ to Paper No./Mail Date _____.
- (b) ☐ including changes required by the attached Examiner's Amendment / Comment or in the Office action of Paper No./Mail Date _____.
- Identifying indicia such as the application number (see 37 CFR 1.84(c)) should be written on the drawings in the front (not the back) of each sheet. Replacement sheet(s) should be labeled as such in the header according to 37 CFR 1.121(d).
6. ☐ DEPOSIT OF and/or INFORMATION about the deposit of BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL must be submitted. Note the attached Examiner's comment regarding REQUIREMENT FOR THE DEPOSIT OF BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL.

Attachment(s)

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| 1. <input type="checkbox"/> Notice of References Cited (PTO-892) | 5. <input type="checkbox"/> Notice of Informal Patent Application |
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| 3. <input type="checkbox"/> Information Disclosure Statements (PTO/SB/08), Paper No./Mail Date _____ | 7. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Examiner's Amendment/Comment |
| 4. <input type="checkbox"/> Examiner's Comment Regarding Requirement for Deposit of Biological Material | 8. <input type="checkbox"/> Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance |
| | 9. <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ |

DETAILED ACTION

Response to Amendment

1. Examiner has acknowledged and reviewed applicant's amendment (filed on 09/28/2007). Examiner has acknowledged applicant's addition of new claims 11 and 12, which do not constitute adding new matter into the existing disclosure.

REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

2. The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance:

The primary reason for allowance of claims 1-12 is the claim language presented in claim 1, for a method for adding a device, which comprises: taking a picture of an object by means of the camera equipment; receiving from a communication unit associated the object signals comprising information on the object transmitted by the object via a wireless connection, and causing a storage of object information as metadata together the picture data.

Also, the primary reason for allowance of claims 1-12 is the claim language presented in claim 9, for an electronic device comprising: a receiver component for receiving via a wireless connection information from an object in a picture taken with the camera component from a communication unit associated with the object; and a processing component for associating information on an object received by said receiving component to data of a picture of said object taken by said camera component, and for causing a storage of said information as metadata together with said data of said picture.

And, the primary reason for allowance of claims 1-12 is the claim language presented in claim 10, for a system comprising an electronic device with a camera component for taking a picture of an object; a receiver component for receiving via a wireless connection information on an object in a picture taken with said camera component from a communication unit associated to said object; and a processing component for associating information on an object received by said receiving component to data of a picture of said object taken by said camera component, and for causing a storage of said information as metadata together with said data of said picture; and the communication unit further comprising a transmitting component for transmitting

information from the object via a wireless connection, In combination with all of the other claim limitations in total.

3. Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

Telephone Numbers

4. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Warren K. Fenwick whose telephone number is 571-270-3040. The examiner can normally be reached on Mon - Fri 8:30A to 6:00P, Eastern Time (GMT-5).

5. If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Patrick J. Assouad can be reached on 571-272-2210. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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